

Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
Expedited Procedure - Art Unit 2135RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

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Inventor: Jardin *et al.*  
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For: Link-Lock Device And Method Of Monitoring And  
Controlling A Link For Failures And Intrusions

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Response

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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3/20/05  
Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated January 13, 2005, Applicants submit the following Remarks. *Remarks* begin on page 2 of this Response.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0221.